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## Morristown National Historical Park News Release

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### Morristown National Historical Park Participates in Morris County's *Revolutionary Times* Celebration, July 3-5, 2015 **Fee-Free Weekend at Morristown NHP Includes July 3<sup>rd</sup> Fife and Drum Concert**

**Morristown, NJ** – Morristown National Historical Park (NHP) is pleased to partner with the Morris County Tourism Bureau for its July 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> *Revolutionary Times* events.

The National Park Service's participation includes free admission to Morristown NHP's Washington's Headquarters Museum and Ford Mansion from Friday, July 3 through Sunday, July 5, 2015.

The highlight at Morristown NHP will be a free concert at 2 pm on Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. The concert will be on the lawn at Washington's Headquarters with music by the famous Fifes & Drums of the Old Barracks in Trenton, New Jersey. Visitors to the concert are asked to bring a folding chair or a blanket to sit on the ground, and are reminded to dress appropriately for the weather including wearing a hat and sunscreen. Due to limited parking, guests also are encouraged to carpool or walk to the event.

"In honor of our nation's birthday and *Revolutionary Times*, the weekend of July 4<sup>th</sup> will be a fee-free weekend," announced Park Superintendent Thomas Ross, "and we invite you to celebrate the Independence Day holiday weekend in Morristown!"

Additional *Revolutionary Times* events are:

#### Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>

\*11:30 am - Public reading of the *Declaration of Independence* at the Presbyterian Church on the Morristown Green. The festivities will begin with singing the *National Anthem* and audience warm-up activities led by Park Ranger Eric Olsen. The *Declaration* will be read by Park Ranger Tom Winslow and will be followed by the tolling of the bells and a musket salute outside on the Green.

\*1:00 pm - Musket Salute followed by free graveyard tours and other family activities.

#### Sunday, July 5<sup>th</sup>

Ongoing events at local historic and cultural sites.

For more information about *Revolutionary Times*, please call the Morris County Tourism Bureau at 973-631-5151 or visit its web site at <http://www.morristourism.org/revtimes>.

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